while the philosophy of Voltaire consigned its soul to everlasting destruction, as does it do here. But like the opening of Pandora's box its baneful influence is felt wherever civilization has extended its wide arms and will be felt wherever his books are read. What a little has he left behind him? The apotheosis of reason.

It may however be said, by those on the other side of this question, that these ambitious warriors, and conquerors, who have swept some of the fairest climes of earth with devastating armies have done more serious injury to the human race than the mythical French philosophy, and they will no doubt proceed this before you, as one of their strongest arguments. But it seems to me, that we have no right to decide on the motives of men in the abstract, but we are to look at, a man act by and his life among us together, apart from their moral quality, and see whether they were detrimental or beneficial to the human race. Now there have been many ambitious heroes, whose ambition was only for dominion and conquest, and who cared not how many widows and orphans were made in the accomplishment of their purpose, yet when we come to look at the ultimate results of their career, they